CHAPTER 393

PUBLIC UTILITIES

HOUSE BILL 17-1116

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also SENATOR(S) Martinez Humenik, Donovan, Priola, Aguilar, Court, Crowder, Fenberg, Fields, Garcia, Guzman, Jahn, Kefalas, Kerr, Moreno, Todd, Williams A., Zenzinger.

AN ACT

CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF ENERGY-RELATED ASSISTANCE TO LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-29-109.3, **amend** (2)(f) introductory portion and (2)(f)(V) as follows:

- **39-29-109.3.** Severance tax operational fund repeal. (2) Subject to the requirements of subsections (3) and (4) of this section, if the general assembly chooses not to spend up to one hundred percent of the moneys in the operational fund as specified in subsection (1) of this section, the state treasurer shall transfer the following:
- (f) For providing energy-related assistance to low-income households as specified in section 40-8.7-112: C.R.S.:
- (V) (A) For the state fiscal year commencing July 1, 2012, and each state fiscal year thereafter, through the state fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 JULY 1, 2023, thirteen million dollars as follows: Twenty-five percent to the department of human services low-income energy assistance fund created in section 40-8.7-112 (1); C.R.S.; twenty-five percent to the energy outreach Colorado low-income energy assistance fund created in section 40-8.7-112 (2)(a); C.R.S.; and fifty percent to the Colorado energy office low-income energy assistance fund created in section 40-8.7-112 (3)(a). C.R.S.

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

(B) This subparagraph (V) SUBSECTION (2)(f)(V) is repealed, effective July 1, 2025.

SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10, 2017); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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